

Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., May 1, 1890., 189

The Superintendent, U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I have assigned your mint an allotment of silver dollar coinage during the current month of 1,200,000 pieces.

I think I may say that this will be the extreme limit of your silver dollar coinage under the present law.

Owing to the difficulty of purchasing silver, at the market rate, in the East, and owing to the additional fact that the coinage is very well up, your allotment for the next two months will probably be considerably less than for this month.

You are hereby instructed to at once reduce the force of the Coiner's department by doing away with the double shift. This reduction will be made at once, and the men dismissed allowed pay for the regular ^{leave of} absence authorized by the regulations.

You will please submit the names of those whose services are to be dispensed with for my action, to take effect at the date of their leave of absence.

Very respectfully,

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Director

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